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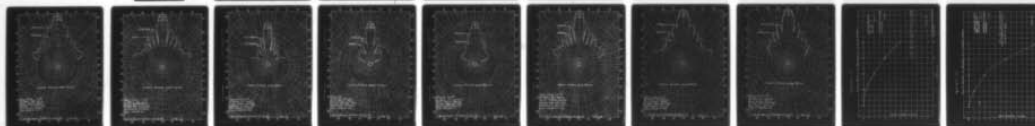
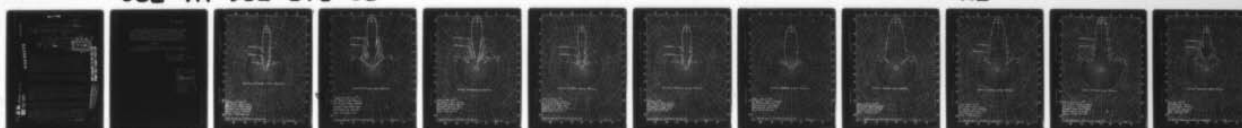
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**CALCULATED AZIMUTHAL DIRECTIVITY PATTERNS FOR
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INTRODUCTION

This memorandum presents calculated directivity patterns, for several frequencies, for scanning sonars that have 48 stave transducers and use 12 or 16 staves for forming the acoustic beams. Constant time delay type beam forming networks were assumed in the computations for one set of patterns, constant phase shift type beam forming networks for the other. The shading used in the 16 stave calculations includes a cosine squared function and the shading derived from a typical single stave beam pattern; the shading for the 12 stave calculations is based on only single stave shading.

The computations assumed that transducer staves were spaced a half wave length ($\lambda/2$) apart (for 5 Kc.). The basic computations were made by the Theory and Analysis Branch of the Laboratory.

DISCUSSION

Figures (1) through (5) present the calculated beam patterns for the different frequencies for the 16 stave receiving beam and a constant time delay beam forming network. Noted on these figures are the first and second minor lobes, and their level relative to that of the major beam. Also noted on each figure, are the beam widths at the 3 db and 6 db down points. Figures (1) through (5) show that up to 20% increases in frequency have little effect on the acoustic beam.

Figures (6) through (9) present the calculated beam patterns for the different frequencies for a 16 stave receiving beam and a constant phase shift type beam forming network.

Figures (10) through (14) presents the calculated beam patterns for the different frequencies for the unshaded 12 stave beams and a constant time delay beam forming network. The beam patterns themselves are acceptable; however, it should be noted that the first minor lobes are down only 14 db as compared to about 20 db for 16 stave receiving beams.

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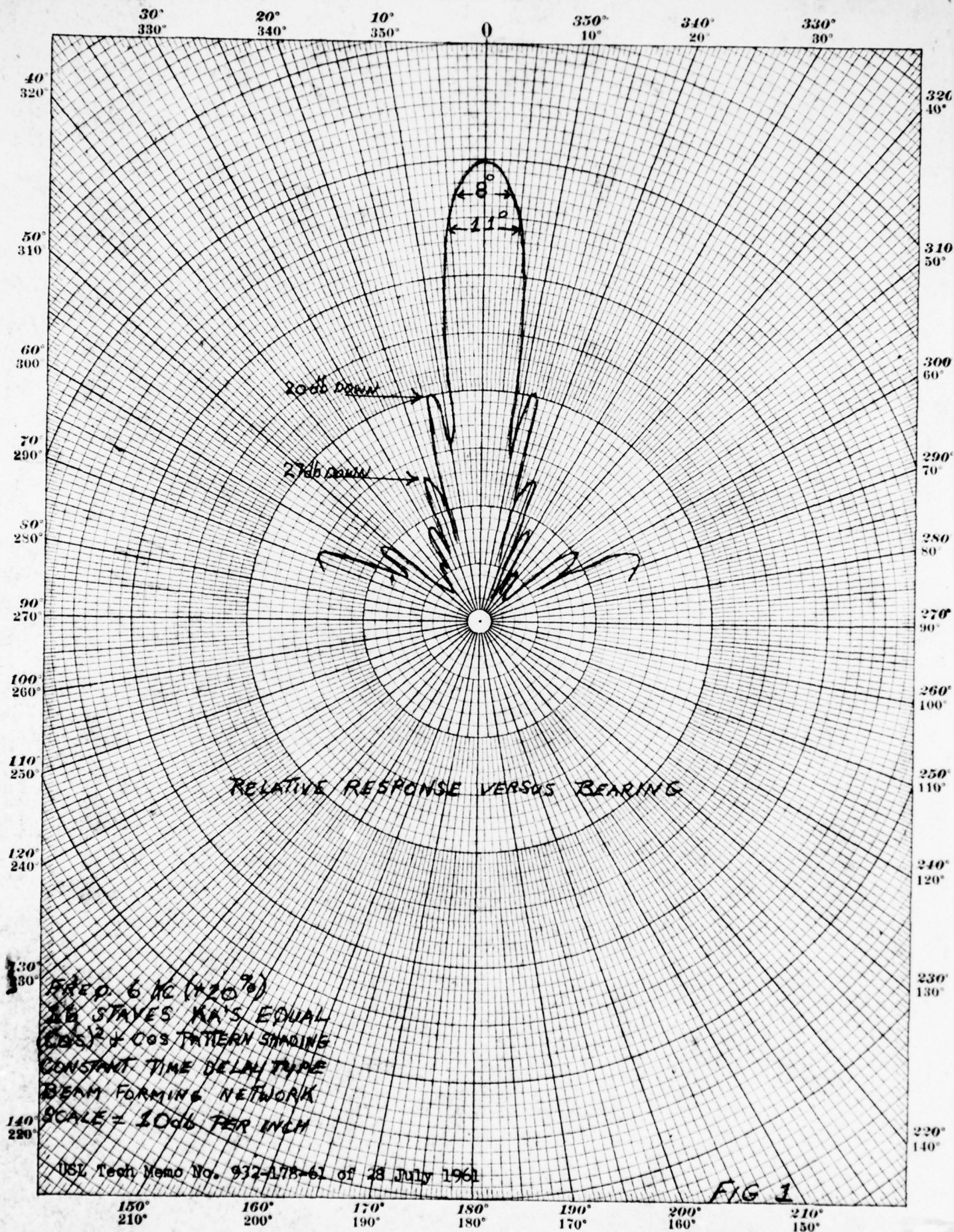
Figures (19) and (20) present the relative on-axis response in db versus frequency for the 16 and 12 stave patterns and for constant phase shift type and constant time delay type beam forming networks. For the 12 stave patterns with the constant phase shift type, the response drops off .7 of a db at 6.0 Kc, for the same condition, the 16 stave response drops off -1.3 db. No drop is experienced with the constant time delay system.

CONCLUSIONS

The constant phase shift beam forming arrangement appears to be limited as to how much the stave spacing can vary from $\lambda/2$ and still be satisfactory.

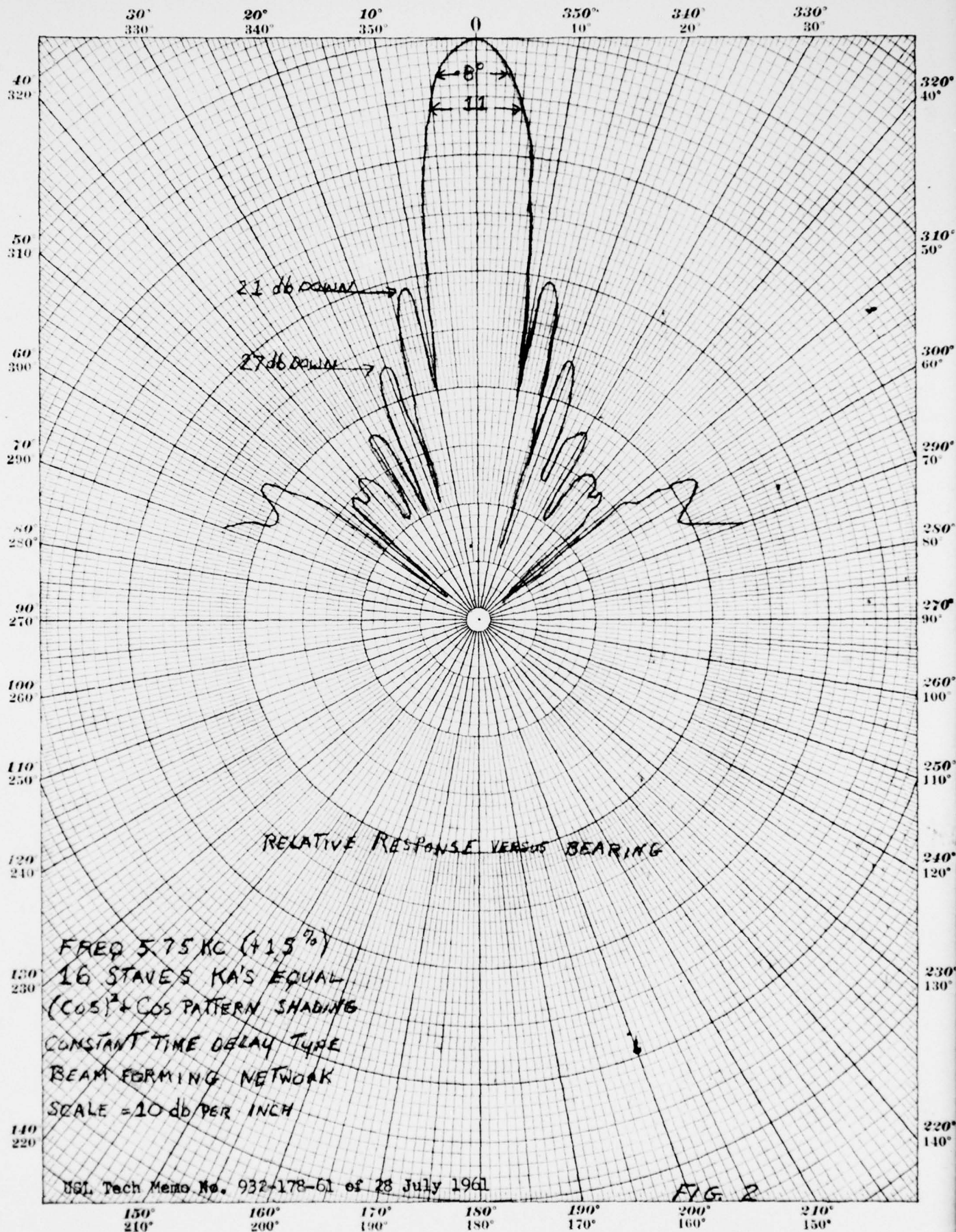
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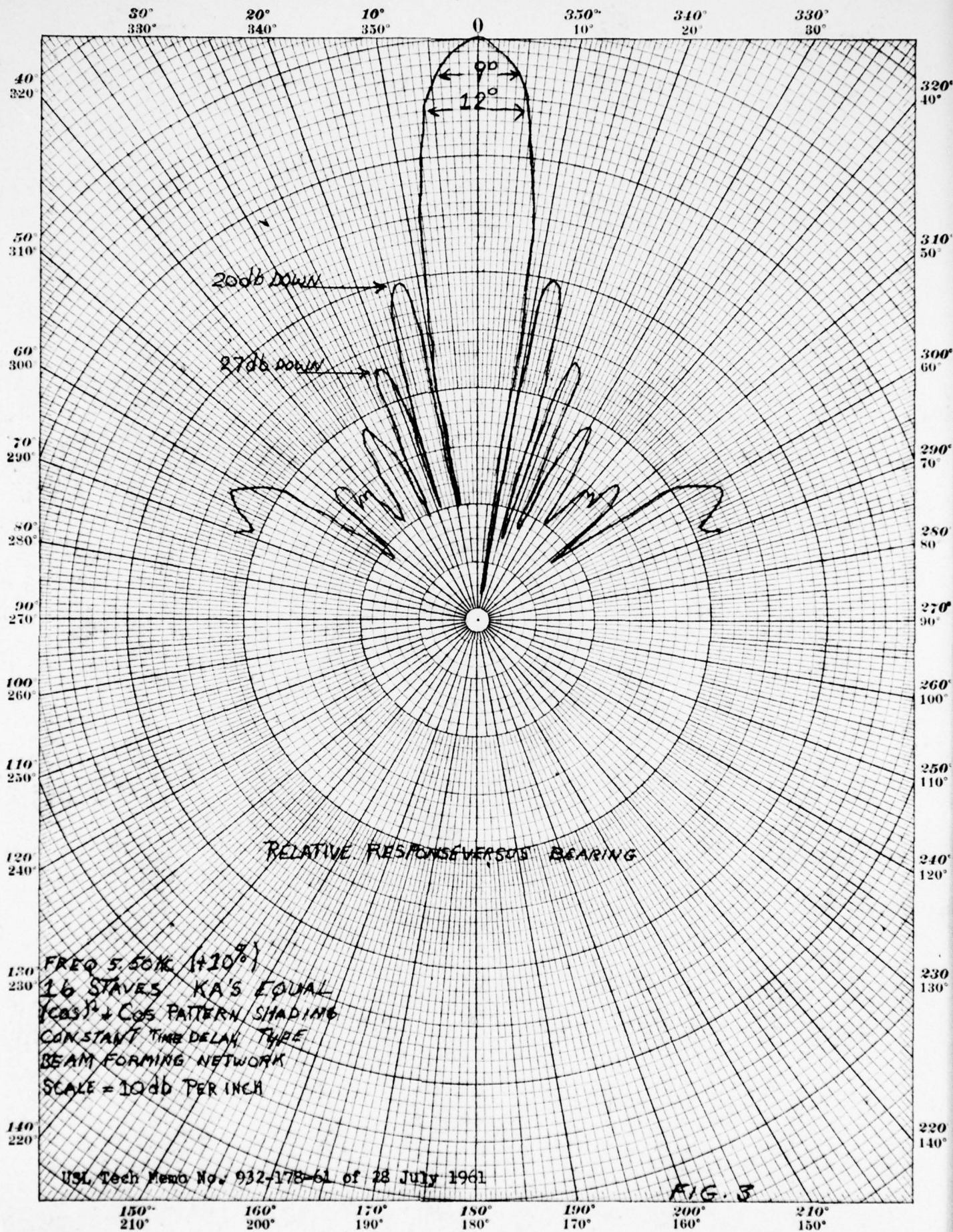
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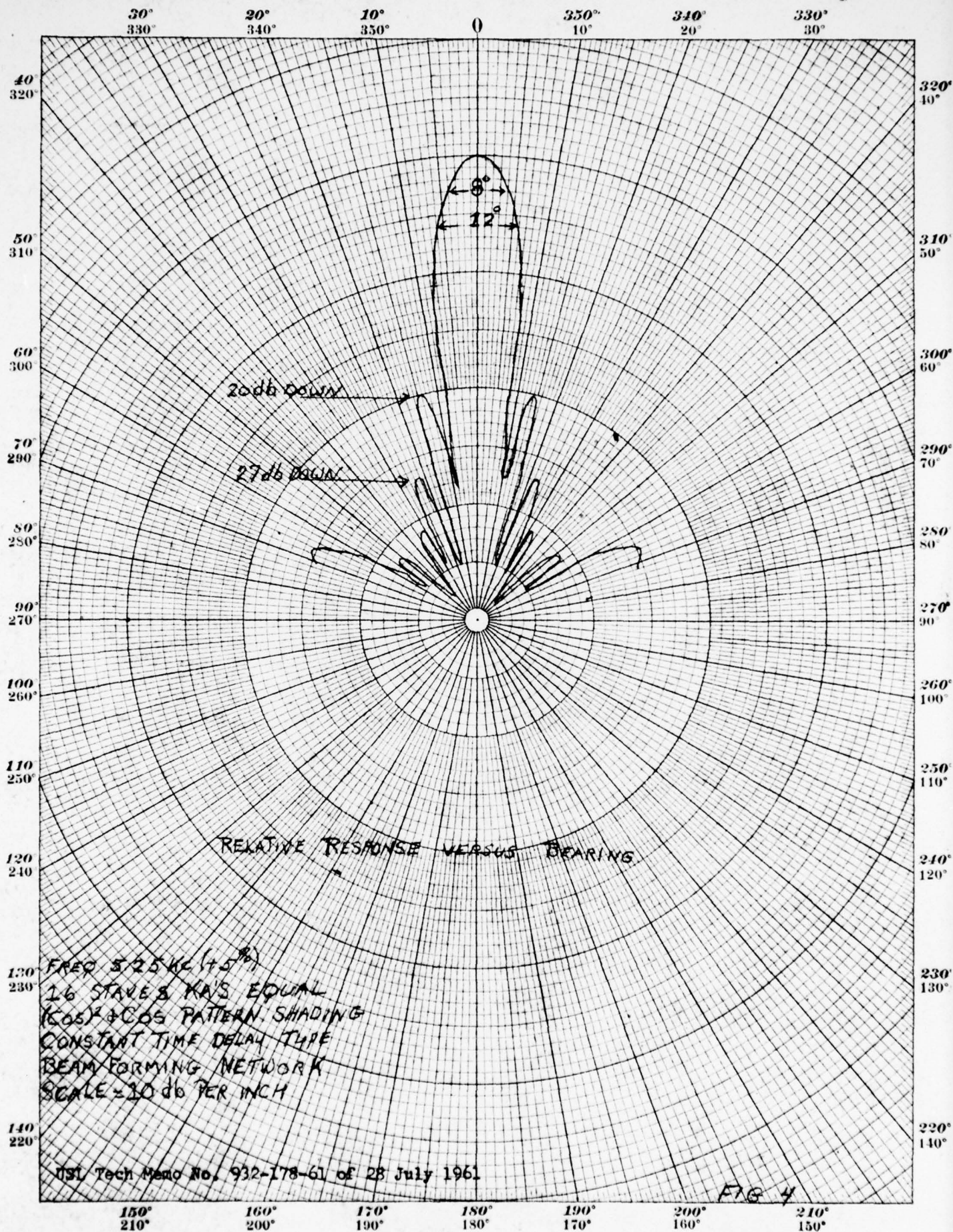


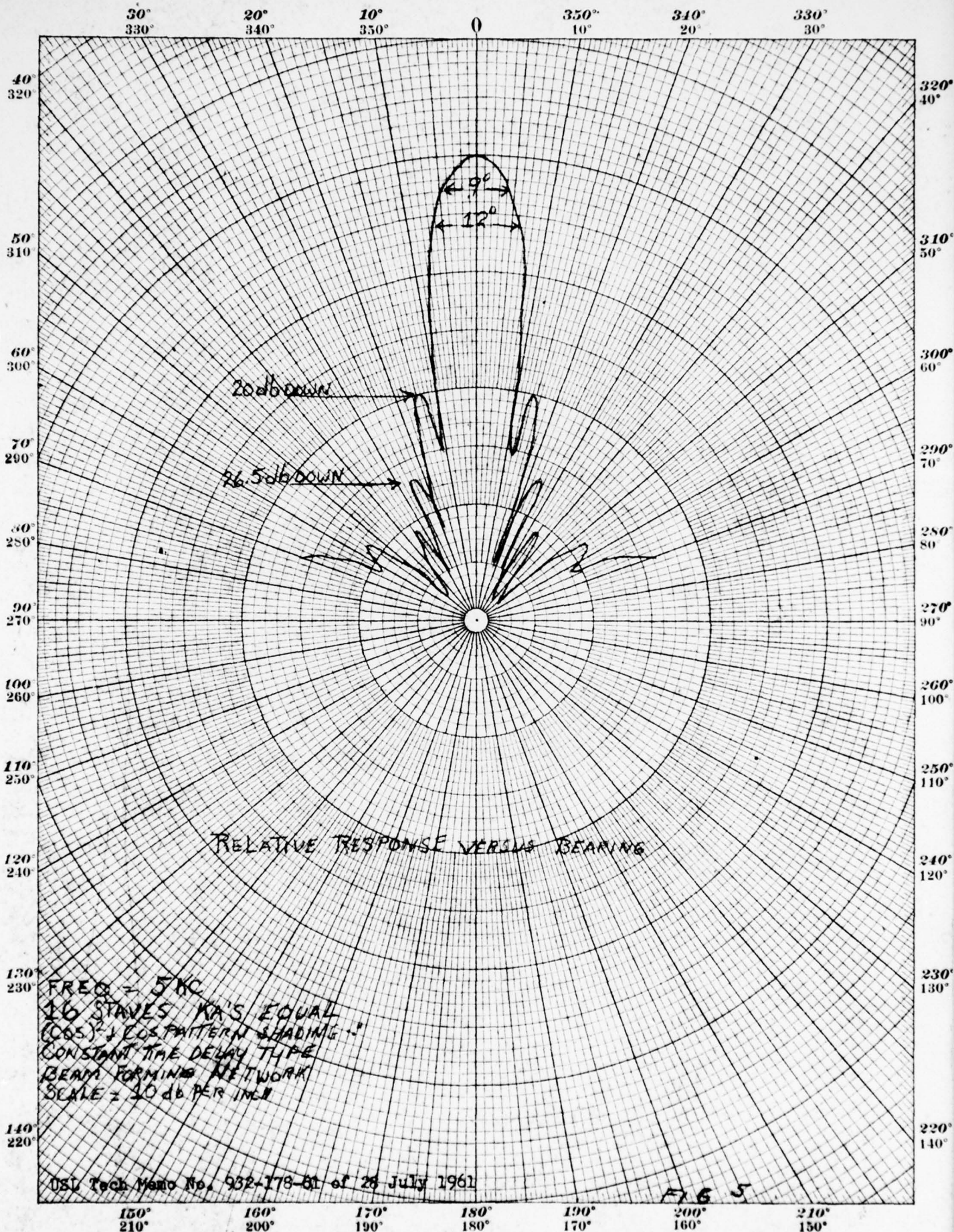
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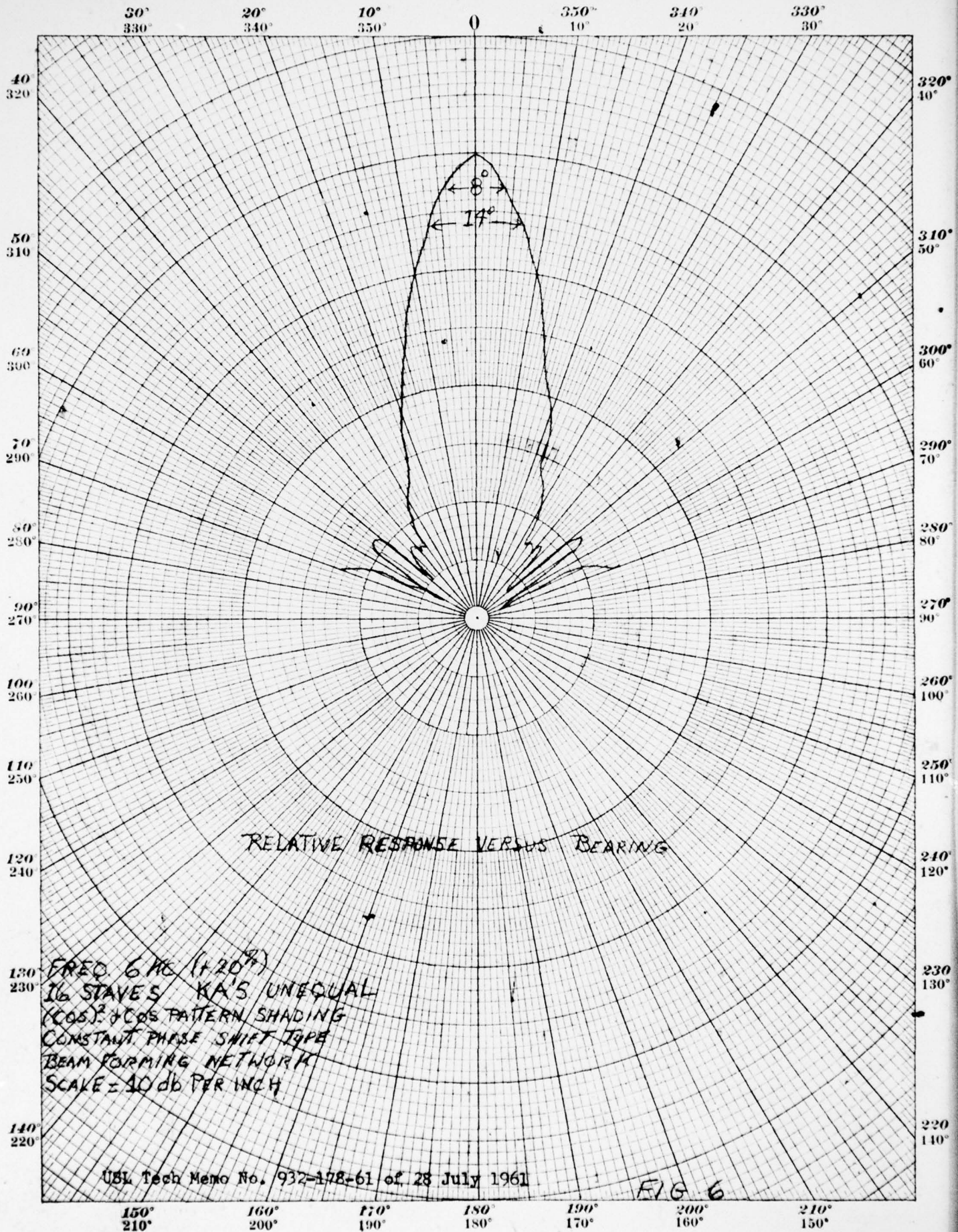
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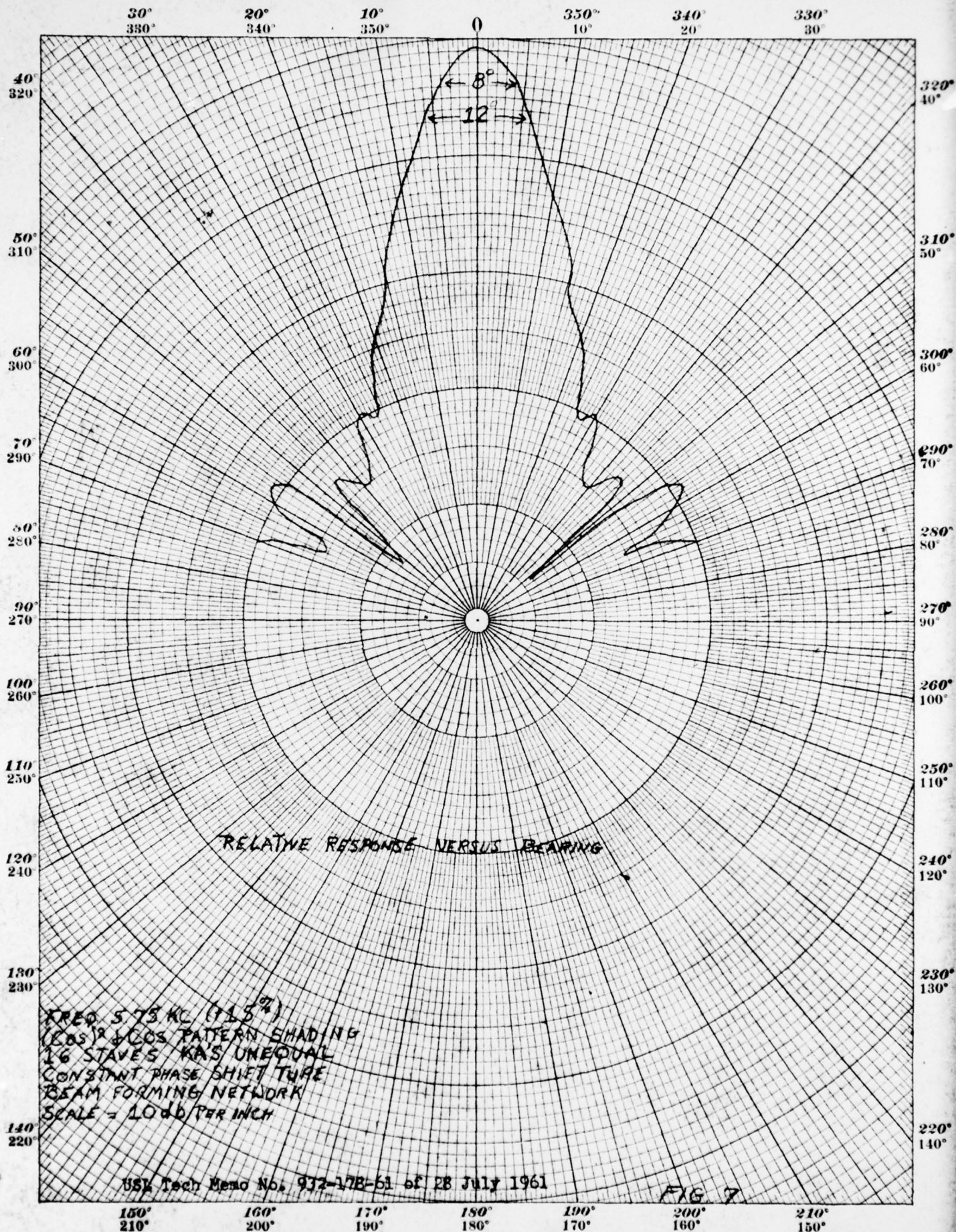


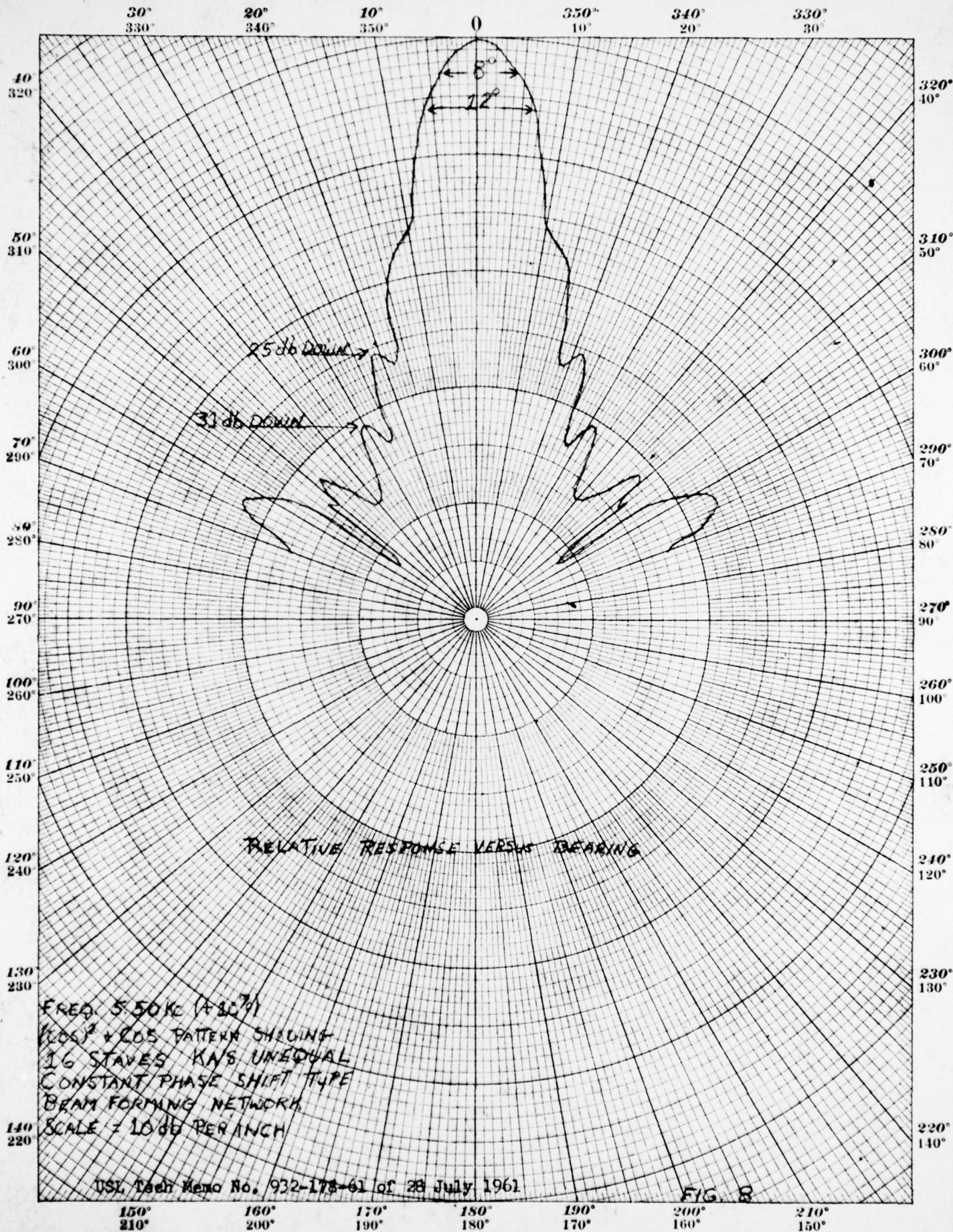


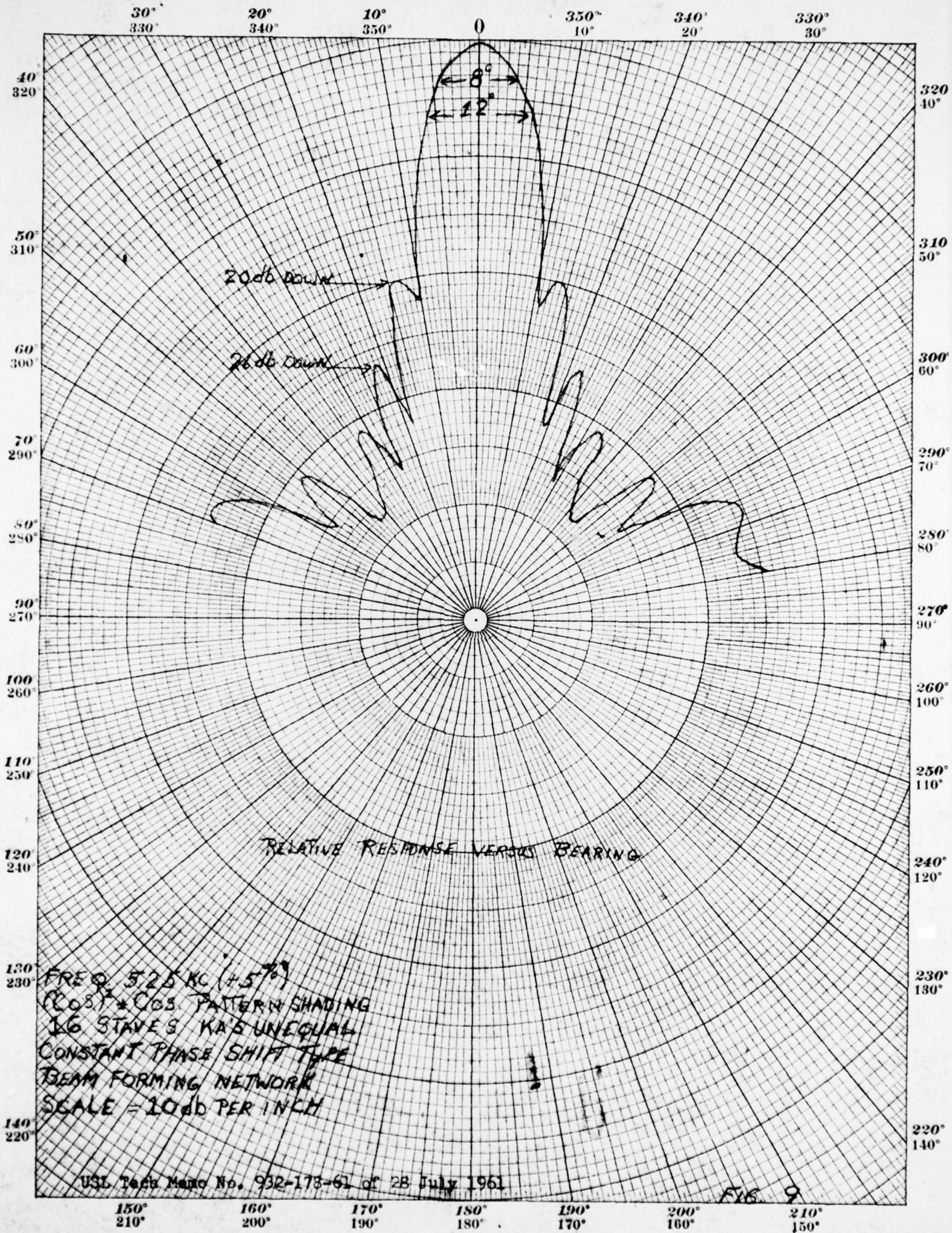


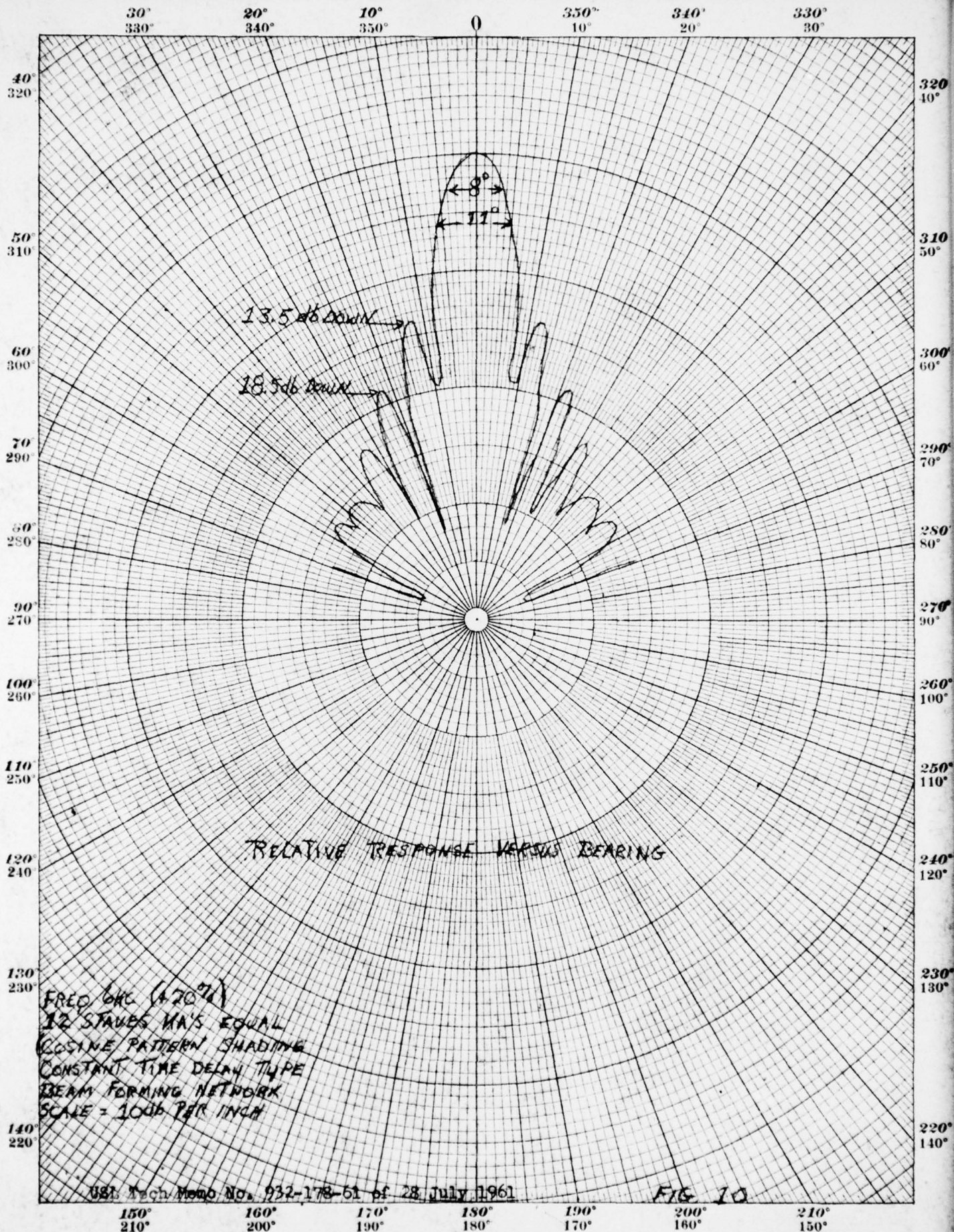






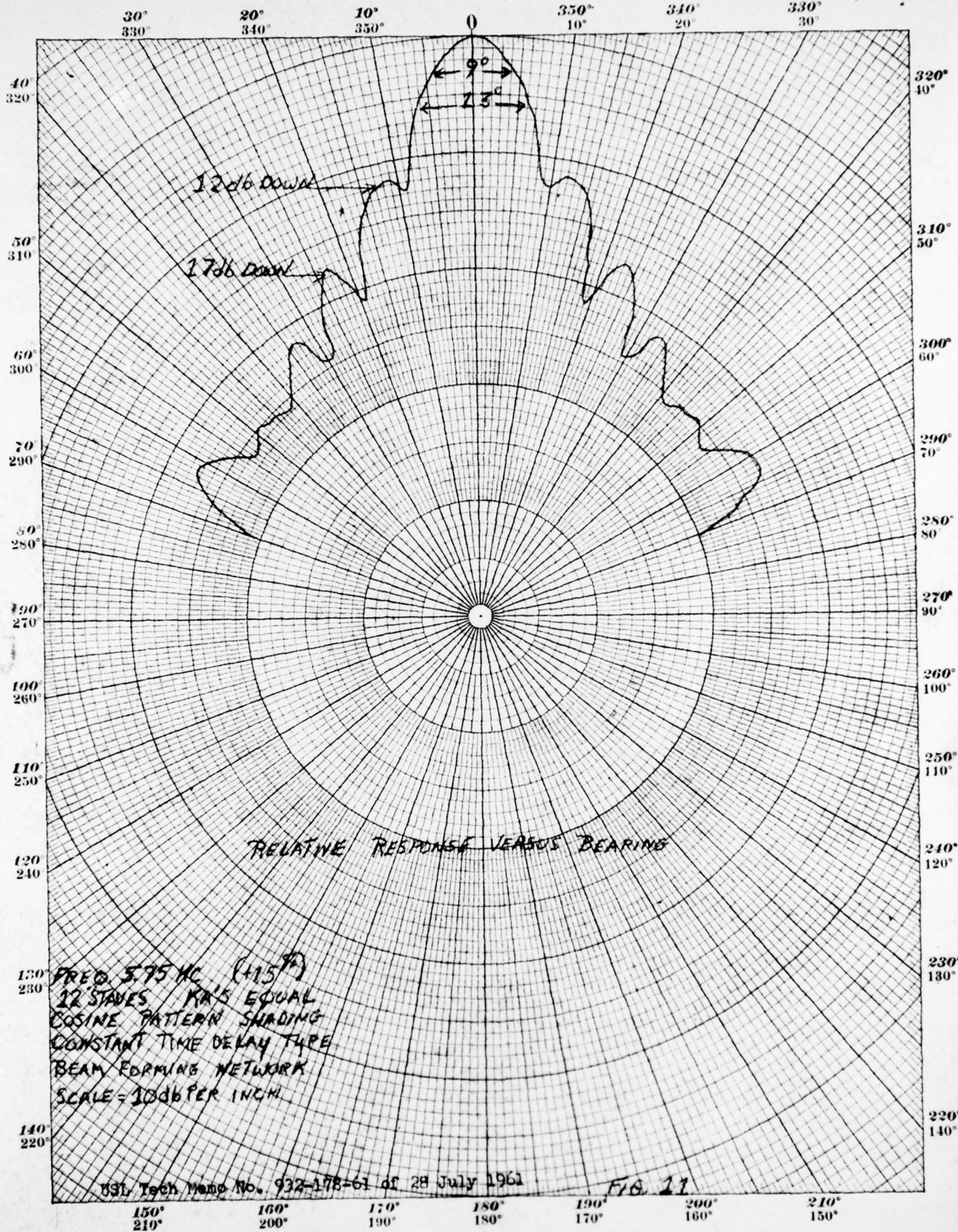


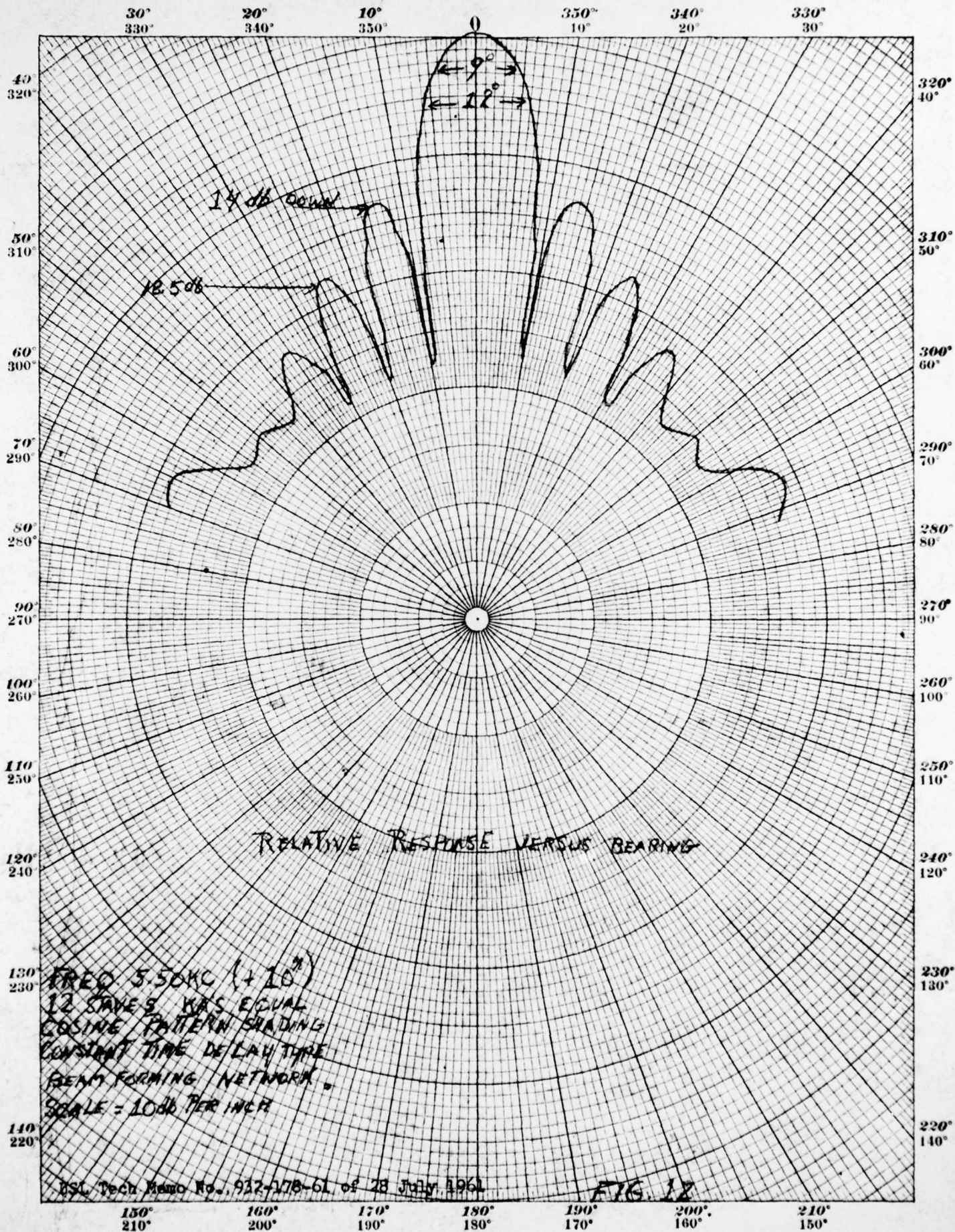


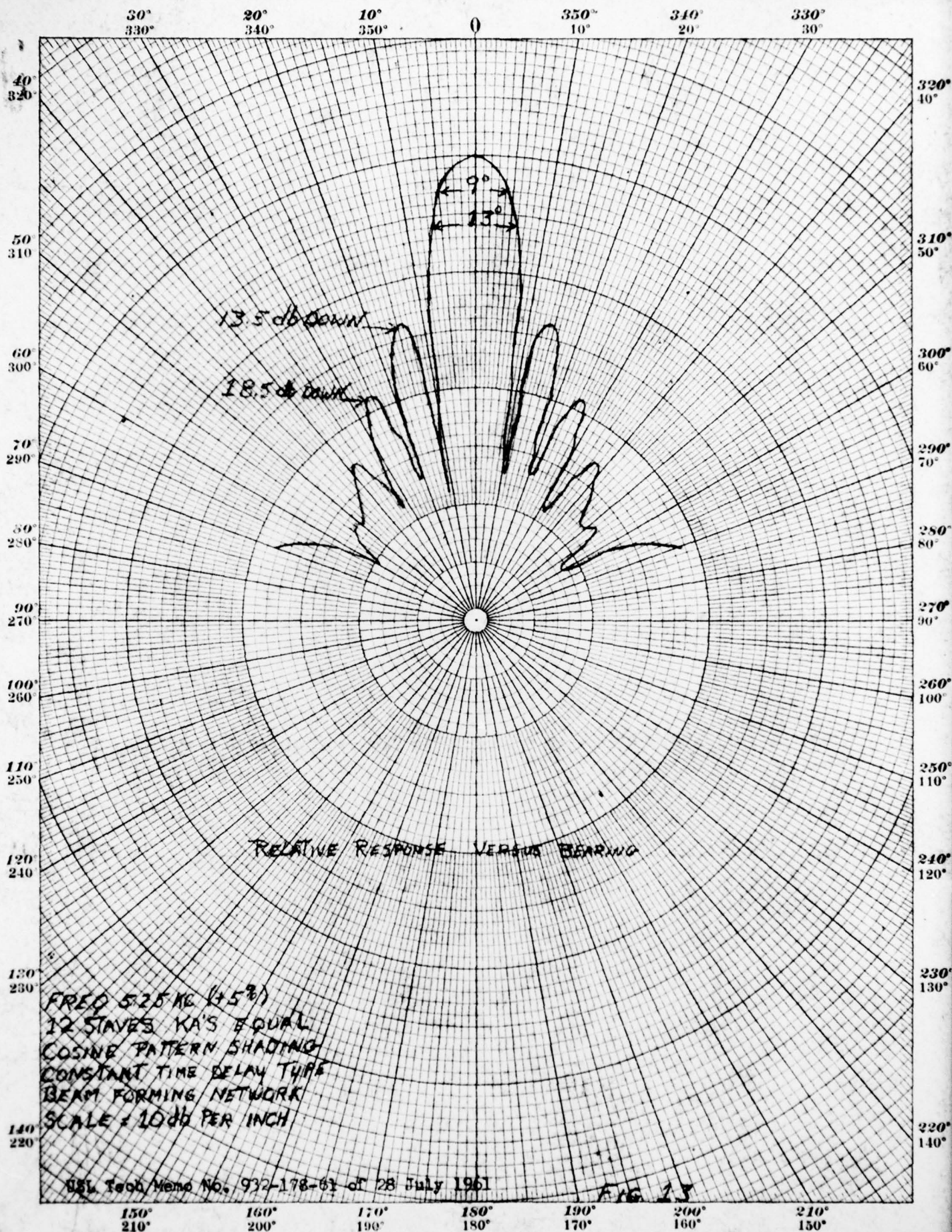


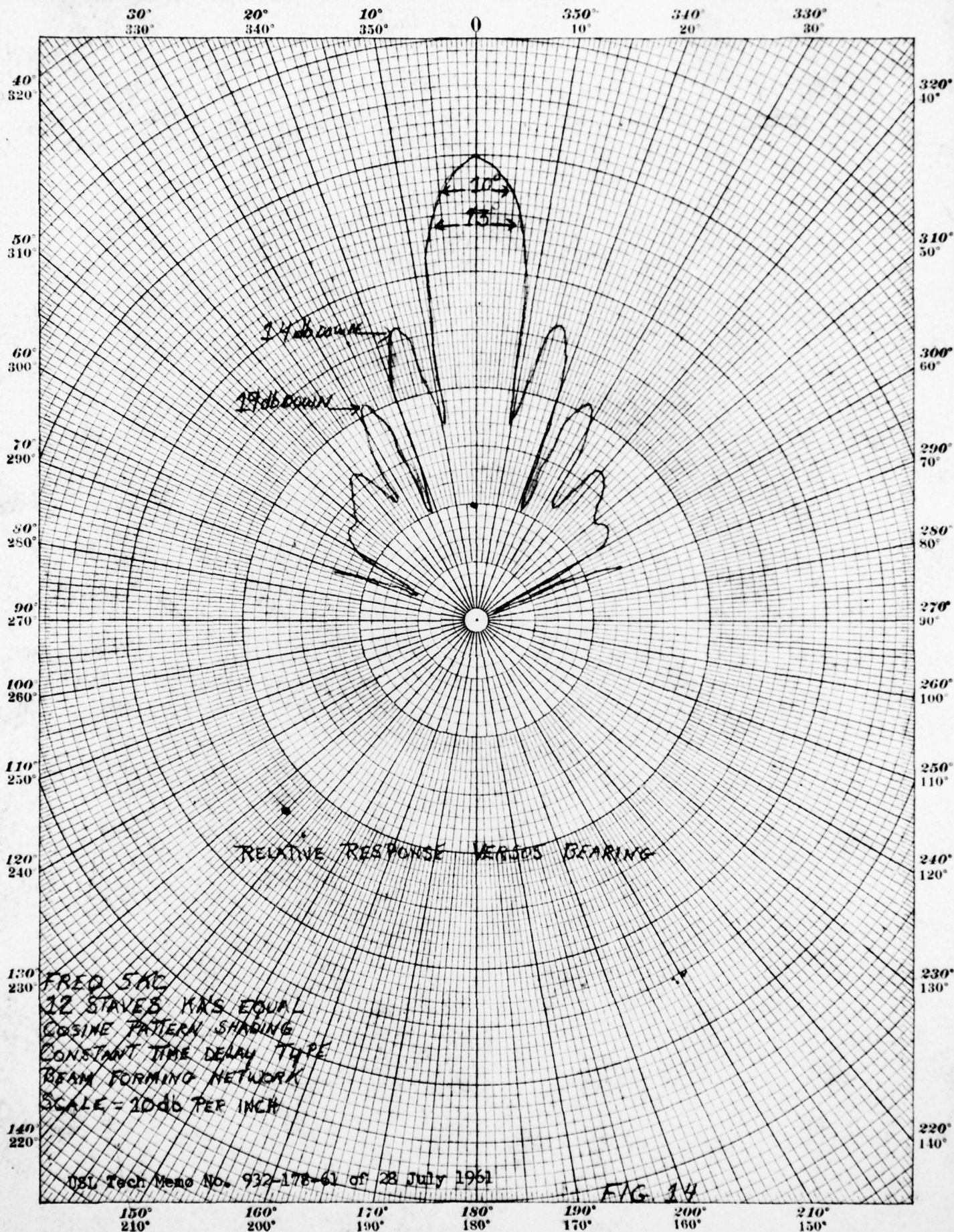
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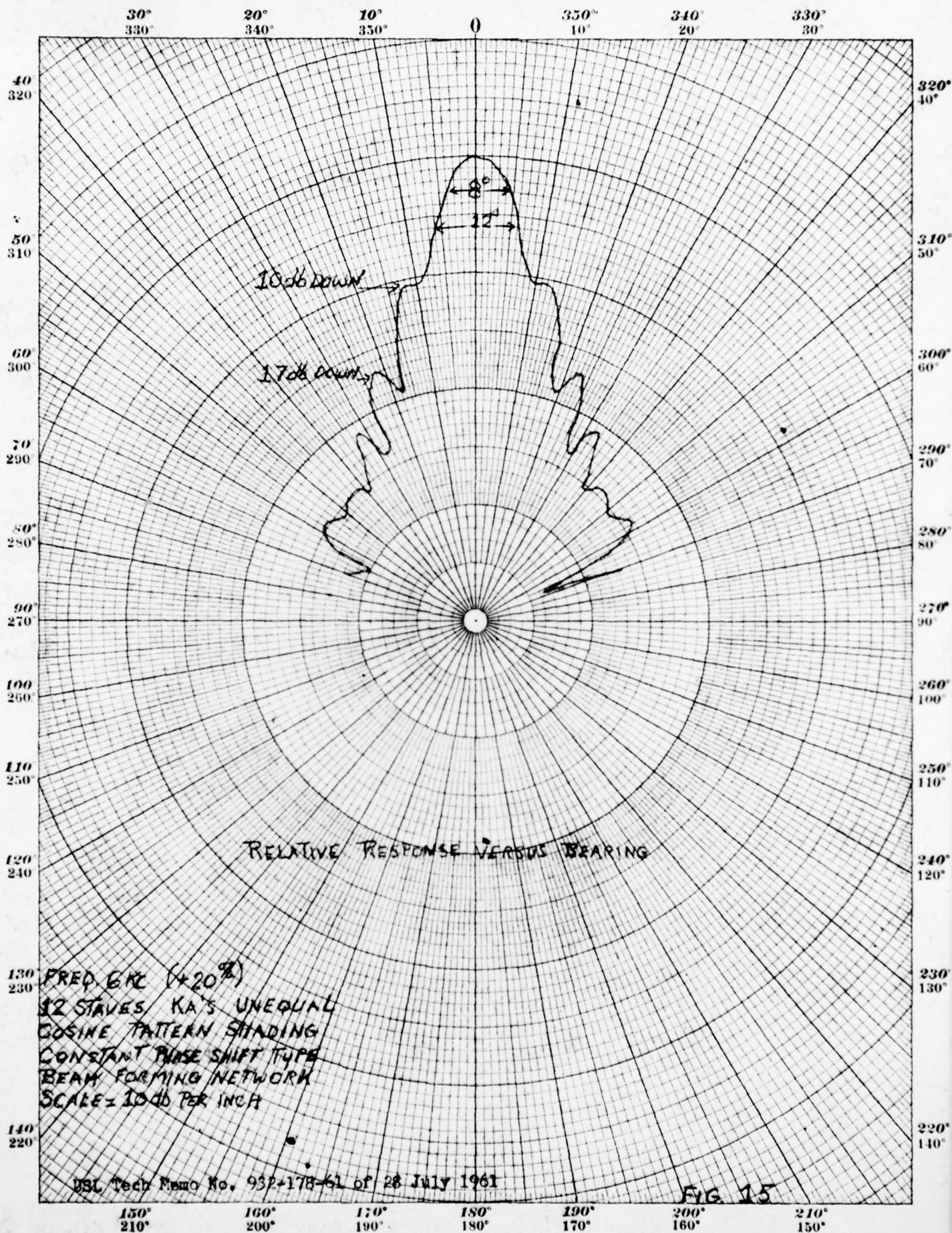
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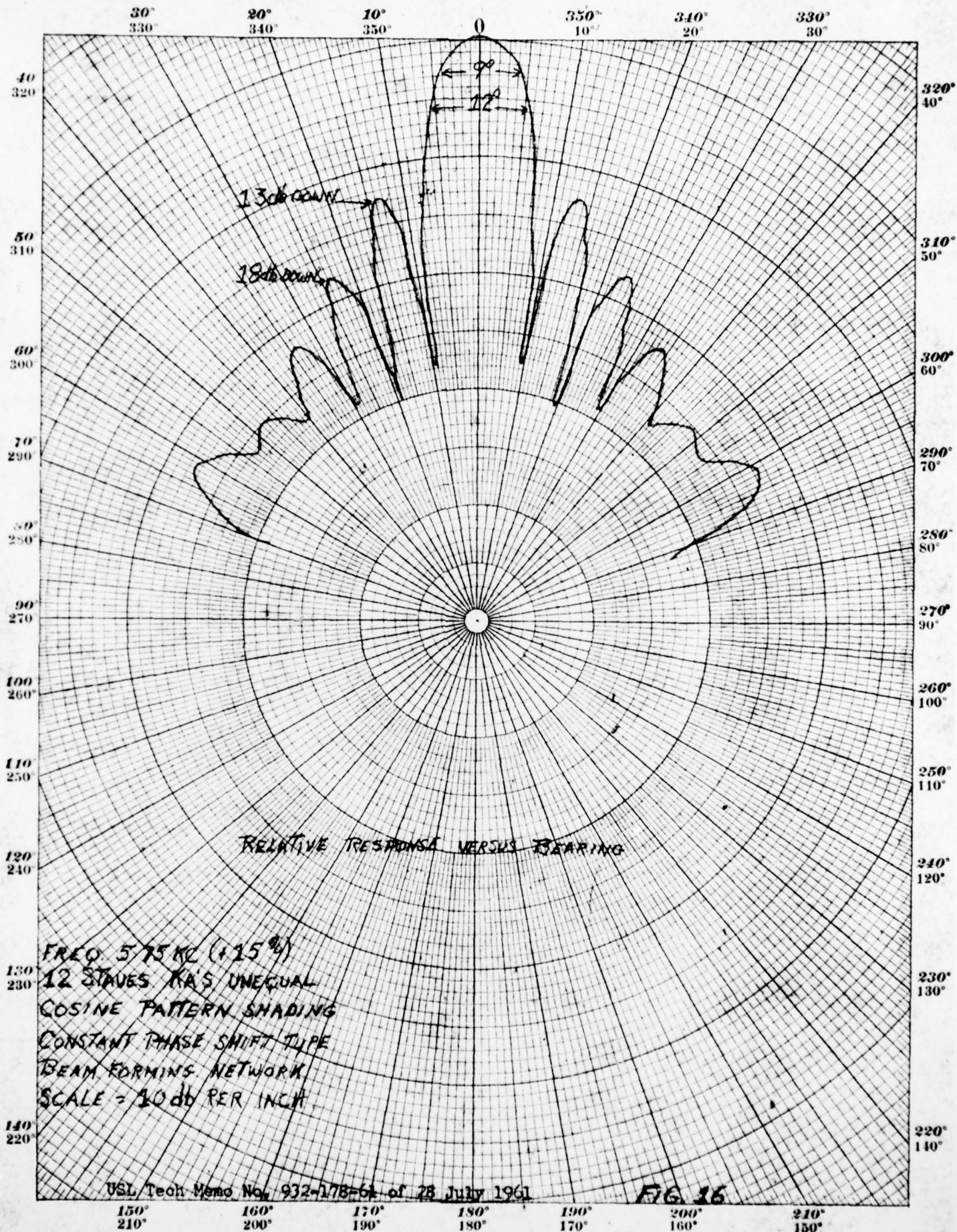






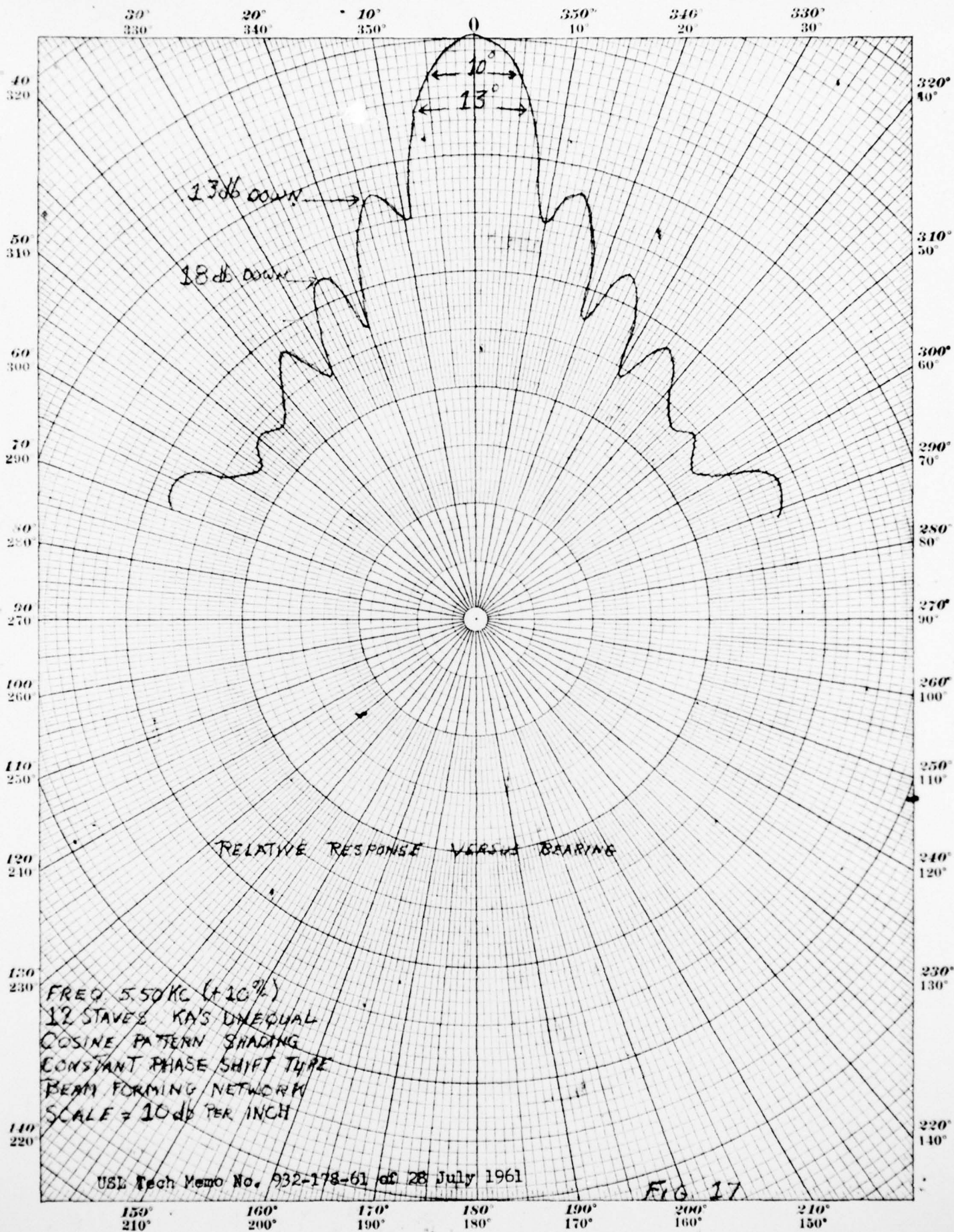


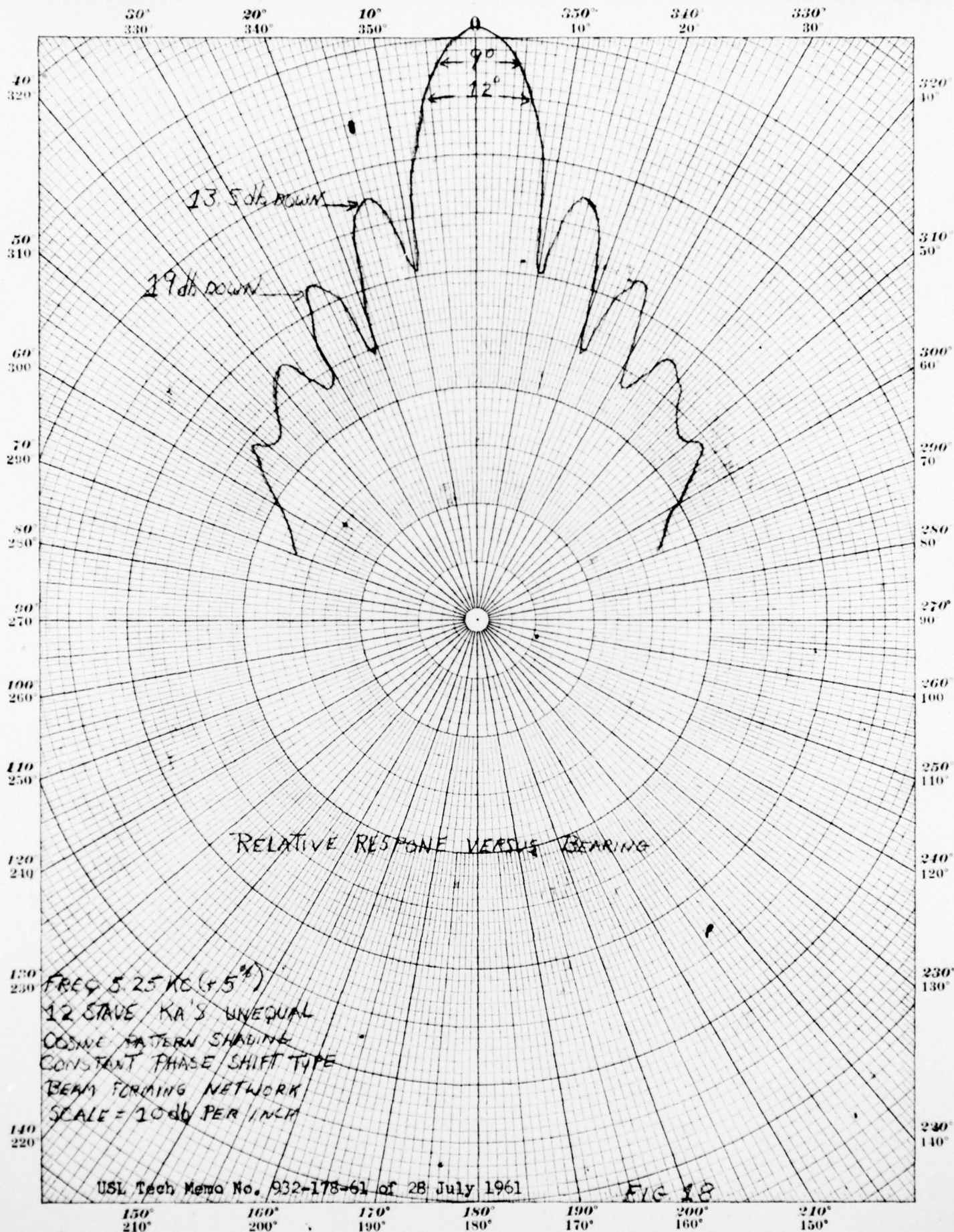




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RELATIVE RESPONSE VS FREQUENCY FOR 12 ELEMENT PATTERNS

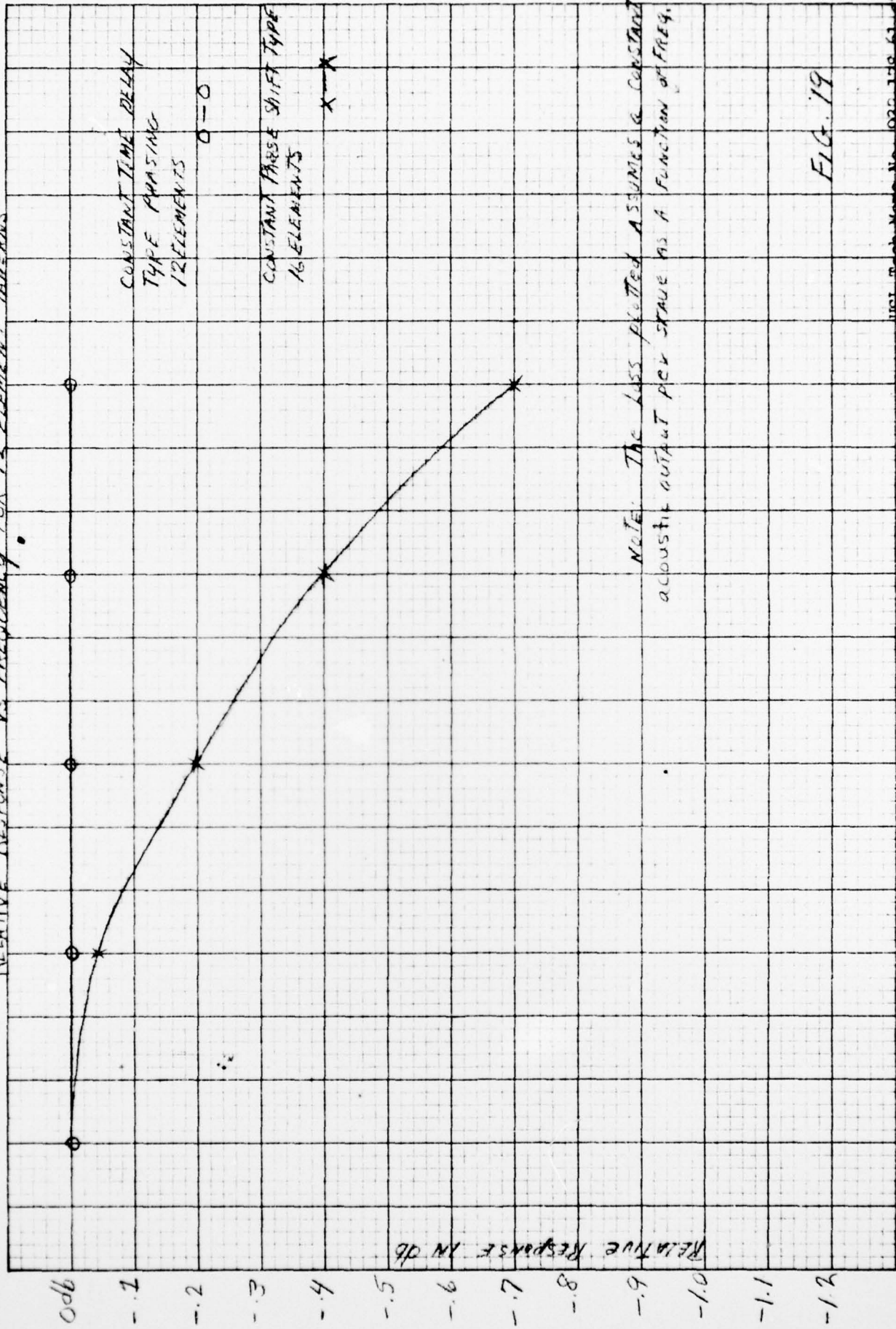


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RELATIVE RESPONSE VS FREQUENCY FOR 16 ELEMENT PATTERNS

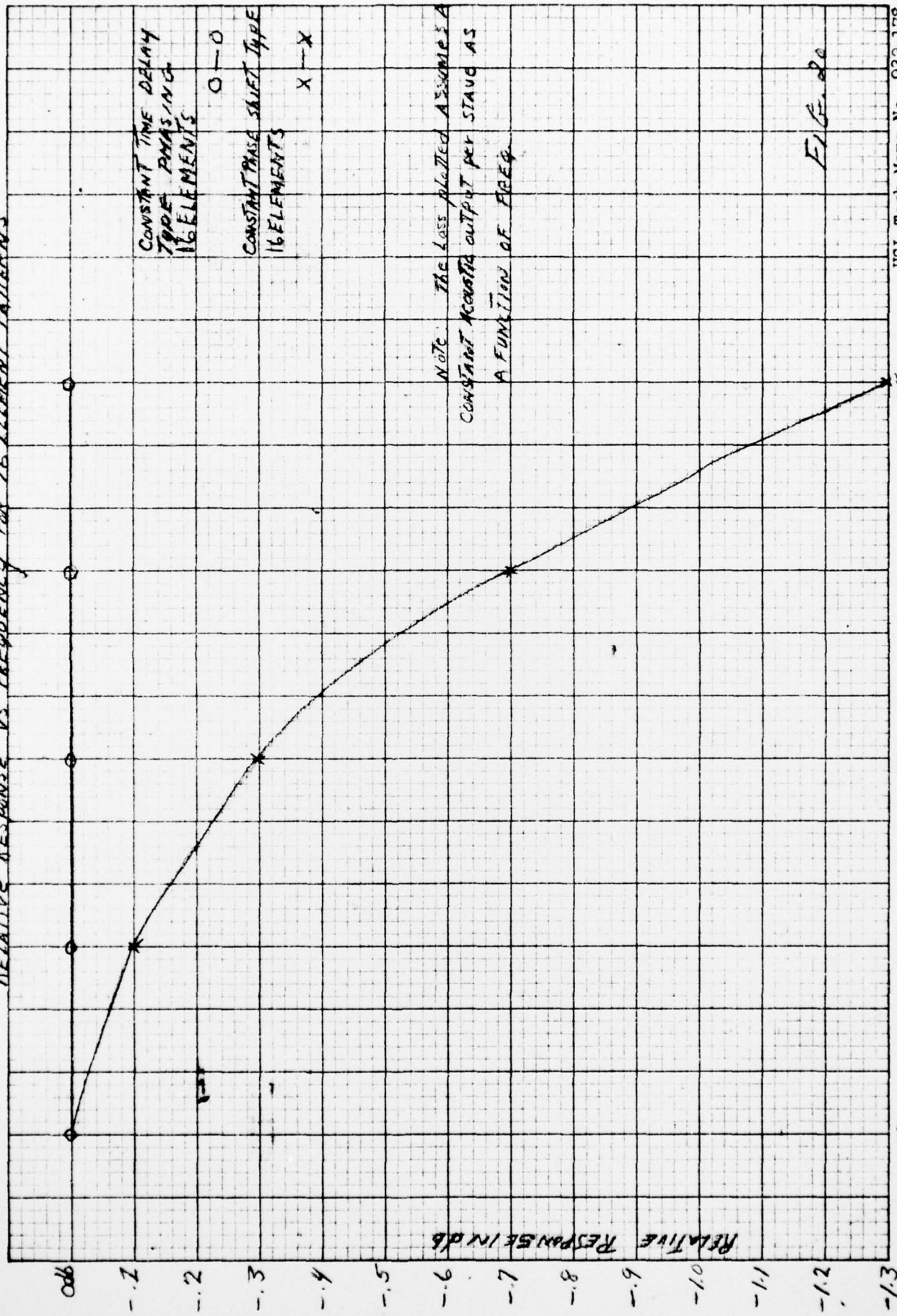


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